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The Truth About SACRAMENTO

To get a clear picture of the significance of Black Panther day - May 2, 1967 - we will quickly run it down, since the mass media has indulged itself in an orgy of distortion, lying, and misrepresentation seldom equaled in the history of racist U.S.A. Uniformly, the mass media has refused to report the chain of events that led up to the visit of the Black Panthers to the capital.

April 1, 1967, Dennis Dowell, age 22, was killed by a racist cop on the Contra Costa Sheriff's Department force. The press has repeatedly failed to incorporate the outrage experienced in the black community with the subsequent actions of the Black Panther Party. The facts of

the case told the relatives that Dowell must have been shot with his hands raised. 2) The coroner's report stated there were 6 bullet holes, while the newspapers called the Richmond Independent said there were only 5 bullet holes. White America spares content as a whole to buy the Three Bullet Theory in the Kennedy murder, but black people will not buy the Three Bullet Theory in the Dennis Dowell murder. 3) The Coroner said that death was due to bleeding, yet

No blood was found at the site of the body. The Dowell family was denied the right to take pictures of the body, or to take back the photograph and Martin's police have refused to return Dowell's clothes for further necessary evidence pertinent to the findings. No clearer case of unjustifiable homicide exists. No entry had been made into the building that the killer-cop assumed Dowell had robbed. Dowell had a hip injury which the cop was aware of, as he had arrested him before. Dowell did not have a gun, and this could have been detected by a trained protector of society. So how could 6 bullets have ever been justifiable

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THESE ARE THREE OF THE TWENTY-THREE C UNARMED BATTLES AT THE CAPITAL. THEY ARE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE SPIRIT OF CP. "HE IMMEDIATELY ARMED AND ABOUT FOR ACTION."

TO BLOODS

If any cop brutalizes you or violates your human rights, beats you, threatens you, or tries to intimidate you, please, please, please, get his picture or his name if he is civilized enough to give it to you; or get his badge number. As soon as you get all this information, turn it over to the Black Panther Party for Self Defense and the Party will deal with it in an appropriate manner.

TO COPS

We don't like the way you cops have been mistreating the law and mistreating the people. You are civil servants, which means that the people - all the people - have delegated to you the task of securing the people in the daily exercise of their rights. For example: the function of removing waste material from our comrades was delegated by the people to those we call

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POWELL, T. TRANSMITTER AND CHAIRMAN ROBERT SEALE OF B.P.P.D.

Statement BY MINISTER OF DEFENSE TO THE BLACK WORLD

Below is the statement prepared by Huey P. Newton, Minister of Defense, and delivered by Bobby Seale, Chairman, of the Black Panther Party for Self-Defense, May 2, 1967, at the state capital in Sacramento, California. When this statement is read carefully, it becomes obvious that all that is here is TRUTH. Looking full well they were lawfully exercising their constitutional rights, the Panthers made fools of the cops who tried to take the gun away from them, and suffered the humiliation of having to give them right back. The dumb capitalist cops didn't even know their own gun laws.

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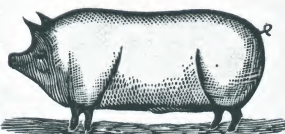
THE WHITE COMMUNITY



TO RACIST SHERIFF YOUNGER
DENNIS DOWELL IS JUST
ANOTHER DEAD PRISONER.



THE BLACK COMMUNITY



SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL POLICE

STATEMENT BY MINISTER OF DEFENSE
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Three blocks away from the capitol, the scurry cops of Sacramento moved in and made the fairest arrest. This is what happens to black men when they have not broken a law.

THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY FOR SELF DEFENSE CALLS UPON THE AMERICAN PEOPLE IN GENERAL AND THE BLACK PEOPLE IN PARTICULAR TO TAKE CAREFUL NOTE OF THE RACIST CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE WHICH IS NOW CONSIDERING LEGISLATION AIMED AT KEEPING THE BLACK PEOPLE DISARMED AND POWERLESS AT THE VERY SAME TIME THAT RACIST POLICE AGENCIES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY ARE INTENSIFYING THE TERROR, BRUTALITY, MURDER AND REPRESSION OF BLACK PEOPLE.

AT THE SAME TIME THAT THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT IS WAGING A RACIST WAR OF GENOCIDE IN VIETNAM, THE CONCENTRATION CAMPS IN WHICH THOUSANDS OF AMERICANS WERE INTERED DURING WORLD WAR TWO ARE BEING RENOVATED AND EXPANDED. SINCE AMERICA HAS HISTORICALLY RESERVED THE MOST BARBARIC TREATMENT FOR NON-WHITE PEOPLE, WE ARE FORCED TO CONCLUDE THAT THESE CONCENTRATION CAMPS ARE BEING PREPARED FOR BLACK PEOPLE ARE BEING DESTINED TO LOSE THEIR FREEDOM BY ANY MEANS NECESSARY. THE ENSLAVEMENT OF BLACK PEOPLE FROM THE VERY BEGINNING OF THIS COUNTRY, THE GENOCIDE PRACTICED ON THE AMERICAN INDIANS AND THE CONFINING OF THE SURVIVORS ON RESERVATIONS, THE SAVAGE LYNCHING OF THOUSANDS OF BLACK MEN AND WOMEN, THE DROPPING OF ATOMIC BOMBS ON HIROSHIMA AND NAGASAKI, AND NOW THE COMRADELY MASSACRE IN VIETNAM, ALL TESTIFY TO THE FACT THAT TOWARDS PEOPLE OF COLOR THE RACIST POWER STRUCTURE OF AMERICA HAS BUT ONE POLICY: REPRESSION, GENOCIDE, TERROR, AND THE BIG STICK.

BLACK PEOPLE HAVE BIGGOD, PRAYED, PETITIONED, DEMONSTRATED AND EVERYTHING ELSE TO GET THE RACIST POWER STRUCTURE OF AMERICA TO RIGHT THE WRONGS WHICH HAVE HISTORICALLY BEEN PERPETRATED AGAINST BLACK PEOPLE. ALL OF THESE EFFORTS HAVE BEEN ANSWERED BY MORE REPRESSION, DECEIT, AND HYPOCRISY. AS THE AGGRESSION OF THE RACIST AMERICAN GOVERNMENT ESCALATES IN VIETNAM, THE POLICE AGENCIES OF AMERICA ESCALATE THE REPRESSION OF BLACK PEOPLE THROUGHOUT THE GHETTOS OF AMERICA. VICIOUS POLICE DOGS, CATTLE PRODS AND INCREASED PATROLS HAVE BECOME FAMILIAR SIGHTS IN BLACK COMMUNITIES. CITY HALL TURNS A DEAF EAR TO THE PLEAS OF BLACK PEOPLE FOR BELIEF FROM THIS INCREASING TERROR.

THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY FOR SELF DEFENSE BELIEVES THAT THE TIME HAS COME FOR BLACK PEOPLE TO ARM THEMSELVES AGAINST THIS TERROR BEFORE IT IS TOO LATE. THE PROBLEM IS NOT THE HOUR OF DOOM ONE STEP NEARER. A PEOPLE WHO HAVE SUFFERED LIKE THIS FOR SO LONG, THE HANDS OF A RACIST SOCIETY, MUST DRAW THE LINE SOMEWHERE. WE BELIEVE THAT THE BLACK COMMUNITIES OF AMERICA MUST RISE UP AT ONE MANT TO HALT THE AGGRESSION OF A TERROR THAT LEADS INEVITABLY TO THEIR TOTAL DESTRUCTION.

HUEY P. NEWTON
MINISTER OF DEFENSE

* See "Concentration Camps in U.S.A." by Charles R. Allen, Jr. and "American Concentration Camps" by Howell.



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MUNICIPAL COURT BUILDING

HELP US HELP YOU

Plz, Brothers & Sisters:

By this time you must have heard about that scene we put down in Sacramento. If you haven't heard, then the bag you are in is so outrageous that you are hard to deal with. Anyway, 23 members of our organization got Francisco's case chickenhit charges and the man - your money - in - out to do our organization under. One of the guiding principles of our organization is that we believe in going all out to rescue our brothers from the clutches of the scurry cops. So we moved rapidly to get them out on bail, even though we had to get that out on credit.

Now we want to fight this case and win it. And we want to keep all the brothers out on bail. We believe that this case should be fought hard be-

cause it is going to help us snatch the covers off of the racist police. To do this, we need money. So we know damn well that you've got some money. You are a man. You are capable of putting down a hustle. That may be harder for you is to give up your hand-hustled coins to a bunch of UP AT ONE MANT TO HALT THE AGGRESSION OF A TERROR THAT LEADS INEVITABLY TO THEIR TOTAL DESTRUCTION. We can give you a tip: the racist police will blow your head off and then all his brothers and two or three Uncles will get together and rule it justifiable homicide. This just happened to a brother last month over in Richmond. We think we know how to put an end to that bullshit. At least we are willing to give it a try. So don't you rest on your laurels so that we can afford to continue our work. We are not lying and you should understand that. Get all your soul and your money and sisterhood together and make them give us some

TO BLACK COPS
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'bumbers'. Others have been denied the responsibility of carrying off our release and we call them 'garbage men'. People we have hired to deliver our mail are called 'niggers'. You have been hired by the people to keep the peace. It is your duty to go about your work in a manner least likely to displease your employers and calculated to make the people feel justified in continuing to carry you on the public payroll. But because you are grossly defiled by the very name - Peace Officer - by the people you know, you are the enemy of the people: you have become a cancerous growth on the body politic. You have an image that strikes terror into the heart of the people who buy your bread, pay your taxes, and feed your children.

Now we want to know what must be solved. THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY FOR SELF DEFENSE has been summoned by the crys and suffering and pain of the people. We are here to organize you. We are here to teach you how to love and serve the people with a humble and faithful attitude consistent with your status. We are going to do the job whether you like it or not. You probably won't like it because you are too egoistic in your lust to shed your skin on the blood. You have become insensitive even to the dying pangs of a child you have just shot down with your vicious service revolver. THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY FOR SELF DEFENSE is here to shield the people from your insanity and thirst for blood.

You have made yourself the people's master; you have elevated yourself unwarrantedly above the people. You have come once and never come back. I joined the Black Panther Party for Self Defense. I feel like a man and now I'm acting like a man. I have always had a feeling of wanting to do something for my people and working with a group that I know is working for the people is a dream fulfilled for me. I know the people of Richmond feel this way too. Like I said when a person hears Huey Newton, the Minister of Defense, talk, you know he wouldn't tell you wrong. When some men shout they may rally a crowd but what the shooter is saying don't last: people lose it. The way the Panthers speak to each other and what they are saying makes sense. Something lifts inside you and you are proud. I'll tell you one thing that bothers me is when I talk to a man that won't do his part and I am supposed to protect him. I know I have to be patient, but I believe every man should do his part. This is an organization that everyone can belong to, you can talk and Panthers listen, you have something to do and you can see something getting done.

Q. How did you feel going to the Capitol?

A. I felt great because I was part of something that had never been done before. I felt good because I knew I wasn't breaking any law. Now they tell me that the Black Panther Party for Self Defense wants to be equal. We don't need it. We are equal. We are taking nothing less. We are tired of police brutality. We are tired of being shot down. If they won't do something we will. It will be the same. The Capitol was a big step and the Panthers made the first step. If we hadn't done that first step our people would still be beaten. The same way we took the first in my brother's investigation and the first to shoot down the scurry cops. We need protection and we have to protect ourselves. We are just tired of living like this. We want freedom now. I hope it won't come to bloodshed but if it does and if I die, I'll know I did my part. That's a good feeling because at least there haven't been too many

GEORGE DOWELL, RICH.

George Dowell, brother of the murdered Daniel Dowell, gave the Panthers the following statement: George is the captain of the Black Panther Party for Self Defense of Richmond.

Q. How did you hear about the Black Panther Party for Self Defense?

A. Mark Comfort told me that the Panthers were a group interested in the problems black people had. I was just passing by. My brother was killed by a cop and nothing had been done by the city officials so I was interested in an investigation. My sister Ruby was shot down over in San Francisco and they came right over to a meeting at Neighborhood House. The next day I saw Bobby Seale and some more Panthers. They told me that they were over and that they were investigating at the site of my brother's death.

Q. How do you feel about the Panthers?

A. I was really impressed. They made me feel like they were really interested in the people. I was just passing by. I saw them. They were the first group I ever seen that have the law down on their backs. I saw that you know, everyone needs some help. They are going to give the people the kind of help and advice that gets results. Most of the time people are just talking. If something happens they don't do anything in a case like a person's brother being killed. When I listened to Huey and Bobby Seale, I felt like they were talking from their hearts. A person can tell when another person is telling the truth and that's what all our people need to hear. When my family and I saw that the Panthers were a determined group, I felt like I should come once and never come back. I joined the Black Panther Party for Self Defense. I feel like a man and now I'm acting like a man. I have always had a feeling of wanting to do something for my people and working with a group that I know is working for the people is a dream fulfilled for me. I know the people of Richmond feel this way too. Like I said when a person hears Huey Newton, the Minister of Defense, talk, you know he wouldn't tell you wrong. When some men shout they may rally a crowd but what the shooter is saying don't last: people lose it. The way the Panthers speak to each other and what they are saying makes sense. Something lifts inside you and you are proud. I'll tell you one thing that bothers me is when I talk to a man that won't do his part and I am supposed to protect him. I know I have to be patient, but I believe every man should do his part. This is an organization that everyone can belong to, you can talk and Panthers listen, you have something to do and you can see something getting done.

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DARE VIETNAM

Mark Comfort, our great fighter for the rights of black people, is now in jail as a result of our battle for human rights, and awaiting trial on another. He has recorded a song against the war in Vietnam to help raise money for his defense. The 45 record will be for \$2.95. Order now - make checks payable to Mark Comfort Defense Fund, and mail to 6211 Lockwood St., Oakland, Calif. 94621.

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FUNCTIONAL DEFINITION OF POLITICS.

BY HUEY P. NEWTON

Politics is war without bloodshed. War is politics with bloodshed. Politics has its particular character which differentiates it from war. When the peaceful means of politics are exhausted and the people do not get what they want, politics is continued. Usually it ends up in physical conflict which is called war, which is also political.

Because we lack political power, black people are not free. Black reconstruction failed because black people did not have political and military power. The masses of black people at the time were very clear on the definition of political power. It is evident in the songs of black people at that time. In the song it was stated that on the day of Jubilee we'd have forty acres and a mule. This was promised black people by the Freedman's Bureau. This was freedom as far as the black masses were concerned.

The Talented Tenth in the time viewed freedom as operative in the political arena. Black people did operate in the political arena during reconstruction. They were more educated than most of the whites in the south. They had been educated in France, Canada and England, and were very qualified to serve in the political arena. But yet, Black reconstruction failed.

When one operates in the political arena, it is assumed that he has power or represents

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MINISTER OF DEFENSE



HUEY P. NEWTON

FEAR AND DOUBT

BY HUEY P. NEWTON

The lower socio-economic black male is a man of confusion. He faces a hostile environment and is not sure that it is not his own fault that has attracted the hostility of society. All his life he has been taught (explicitly and implicitly) that he is an inferior representation of humanity. As a man, he finds himself sold of those things that bring respect and a feeling of worthiness. He looks around for something to blame for his situation, but because he is not sophisticated regarding the socio-economic milieu and because of negativistic parental and institutional teachings he ultimately blames himself. When he has heard his parents told him that they were not affluent because "we didn't have the opportunity to become educated", or "we did not take advantage of the educational opportunities that were offered us." They tell the child that things will be different for him if he is educated and skilled, but there is absolutely nothing other than the occasional warning (and often even threats) to stimulate education. BLACK people are great worshippers of education, even the lower socio-economic black person, but at the same time he is afraid because he is vulnerable to having his fears verified; perhaps he will find that he can't compete with white students. He tells himself that he could have done it if he had really wanted to. The fact is of course, that the assumed educational opportunity

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WHAT WE WANT NOW!

TO THOSE POOR SOULS WHO DON'T KNOW BLACK HISTORY, THE BELIEFS AND DESIRES OF THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY FOR SELF DEFENSE MAY SEEM UNDESIRABLE. TO US, HOWEVER, THESE THINGS COVERED ARE ABSOLUTELY ESSENTIAL TO SURVIVAL. WE HAVE LISTENED TO THE RIOT PRODUCING WORDS "THESE THINGS TAKE TIME" FOR 400 YEARS. THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY KNOWS THAT BLACK PEOPLE WANT AND NEED BLACK UNITY AND SELF DEFENSE WILL MAKE THESE DEMANDS A REALITY.

WHAT WE WANT

1. WE WANT FREEDOM. WE WANT POWER TO DETERMINE THE DESTINY OF OUR BLACK COMMUNITY.
2. WE WANT FULL EMPLOYMENT FOR OUR PEOPLE.
3. WE WANT AN END TO THE ROBBERY BY THE WHITE MAN OF OUR BLACK COMMUNITY.
4. WE WANT DECENT HOUSING, FIT FOR SHELTER HUMAN BEINGS.
5. WE WANT EDUCATION FOR OUR PEOPLE THAT EXPOSES THE TRUE NATURE OF THIS INEQUANT AMERICAN SOCIETY. WE WANT EDUCATION THAT TEACHES US OUR TRUE HISTORY AND OUR ROLE IN THE PRESENT DAY SOCIETY.
6. WE WANT ALL BLACK MEN TO BE EXEMPT FROM MILITARY SERVICE.
7. WE WANT AN IMMEDIATE END TO POLICE BRUTALITY AND MURDER OF BLACK PEOPLE.
8. WE WANT FREEDOM FOR ALL BLACK MEN HELD IN FEDERAL, STATE, COUNTY, AND CITY PRISONS AND JAILS.
9. WE WANT ALL BLACK PEOPLE WHEN BROUGHT TO TRIAL TO BE TRIED IN COURT BY A JURY OF THEIR PEER GROUP OR PEOPLE FROM THEIR BLACK COMMUNITIES. AS DEFINED BY THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES.
10. WE WANT LAND, BREAD, HOUSING, EDUCATION, CLOTHING, JUSTICE AND PEACE.

WHAT WE BELIEVE

1. WE BELIEVE THAT BLACK PEOPLE WILL NOT BE FREE UNTIL WE ARE ABLE TO DETERMINE OUR DESTINY.
2. WE BELIEVE THAT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IS RESPONSIBLE AND OBLIGATED TO GIVE EVERYONE EMPLOYMENT ON A GUARANTEED FUND. WE BELIEVE THAT IF THE WHITE AMERICAN BUSINESS MEN WILL NOT GIVE FULL EMPLOYMENT, THEN THE MEANS OF PRODUCTION SHOULD BE TAKEN FROM THE BUSINESS MEN AND PLACED IN THE COMMUNITY SO THAT THE PEOPLE OF THE COMMUNITY CAN ORGANIZE AND EMPLOY ALL OF ITS PEOPLE AND HAVE A HIGH STANDARD OF LIVING.
3. WE BELIEVE THAT THIS RACIST GOVERNMENT HAS ROBBED US AND NOW WE ARE DEMANDING THE OVERDUE DEBT OF FORTY ACRES AND TWO MULES. FORTY ACRES AND TWO MULES WAS PROMISED 100 YEARS AGO AS RECOMPENSE FOR THE FOUR GROUP OF PEOPLE FROM THEIR BLACK COMMUNITIES. WE WILL ACCEPT THE PAYMENT IN CURRENCY WHICH WILL BE DISTRIBUTED TO OUR RACE. THE GERMANS ARE NOW AIDING THE JEWS IN ISRAEL FOR THE GENOCIDE OF THE JEWISH PEOPLE. THE GERMANS MURDERED 6,000,000 JEWS. THE AMERICAN RACIST HAS TAKEN PART IN THE MURDER OF OVER 50,000,000 BLACK PEOPLE. THEREFORE, WE FEEL THAT THIS IS A MODEST DEMAND THAT WE MAKE.
4. WE BELIEVE THAT IF THE WHITE LANDLORDS WILL NOT GIVE DECENT HOUSING TO OUR BLACK COMMUNITY, THEN THE HOUSING AND THE LAND SHOULD BE MOVED INTO THE HANDS OF OUR PEOPLE. WITH OUR COMMUNITY, WITH GOVERNMENT AID, CAN BUILD AND MAKE DECENT HOUSING FOR ITS PEOPLE.

WHAT WE BELIEVE

5. WE BELIEVE IN AN EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM THAT WILL GIVE TO OUR PEOPLE A KNOWLEDGE OF SELF. A MAN DOES NOT HAVE KNOWLEDGE OF HIMSELF AND HIS POSITION IN SOCIETY AND THE WORLD, THEN HE HAS LITTLE CHANCE TO RELATE TO ANYTHING ELSE.
6. WE BELIEVE THAT BLACK PEOPLE SHOULD NOT BE FORCED TO FIGHT IN THE MILITARY SERVICE TO DEFEND A RACIST GOVERNMENT THAT DOES NOT PROTECT US. WE WILL NOT FIGHT AND KILL OTHER PEOPLE OF COLOR IN THE WORLD WHO, LIKE BLACK PEOPLE, ARE BEING VICTIMIZED BY THE WHITE RACIST GOVERNMENT OF AMERICA. WE WILL PROTECT OURSELVES FROM THE FORCE AND VIOLENCE OF THE RACIST POLICE AND THE RACIST MILITARY, BY WHATEVER MEANS NECESSARY.
7. WE BELIEVE WE CAN END POLICE BRUTALITY IN OUR BLACK COMMUNITY BY ORGANIZING BLACK SELF DEFENSE GROUPS THAT ARE DEDICATED TO DEFENDING OUR BLACK COMMUNITY FROM RACIST POLICE BRUTALITY AND BRUTALITY. THE SECOND AMENDMENT OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES GIVES US A RIGHT TO BEAR ARMS. WE THEREFORE BELIEVE THAT ALL BLACK PEOPLE SHOULD ARM THEMSELVES FOR SELF DEFENSE.
8. WE BELIEVE THAT ALL BLACK PEOPLE SHOULD BE RELEASED FROM THE MANY JAILS AND PRISONS BECAUSE THEY HAVE NOT RECEIVED A FAIR AND IMPARTIAL TRIAL.
9. WE BELIEVE THAT THE COURTS SHOULD FOLLOW THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION SO THAT BLACK PEOPLE WILL RECEIVE FAIR TRIALS. THE 14TH AMENDMENT OF THE U.S. CONSTITUTION GIVES A MAN A RIGHT TO BE TRIED BY HIS PEER GROUP. A PEER IS A PERSON FROM A SIMILAR ECONOMIC, SOCIAL, RELIGIOUS, ETHNIC, ORIGIN, ORIENTAL, HISTORICAL AND RACIAL BACKGROUND. TO DO THIS THE COURT WILL BE FORCED TO SELECT A JURY FROM THE BLACK COMMUNITY FROM WHICH THE BLACK DEFENDERS CAME. WE HAVE BEEN AND ARE BEING TRIED BY ALL WHITE JURIES THAT HAVE NO UNDERSTANDING OF THE "AVERAGE REASONING MAN" OF THE BLACK COMMUNITY.
10. WHEN IN THE COURSE OF HUMAN EVENTS, IT BECOMES NECESSARY FOR OUR PEOPLE TO DISSOLVE THE POLITICAL BODIES WHICH HAVE CONNECTED THEM WITH ANOTHER, AND TO ASSUME AMONG THE POWERS OF THE EARTH, THE SEPARATE AND EQUAL STATION TO WHICH THE LAWS OF NATURE AND NATURE'S GOD ENTITLED THEM, A DECISION ASPECT TO THE OPTIONS OF HARKING REQUIRES THAT THEY SHOULD DECLARE THE CAUSES WHICH IMPEL THEM TO SEPARATE. WHEN WE HOLD THESE TRUTHS TO BE SELF-IDENTITY, THAT ALL MEN ARE CREATOR, KNOW, THAT THEY ARE BROUGHT BY THEIR CREATOR WITH CERTAIN UNALIENABLE RIGHTS, THAT ALL MEN ARE BORN WITH LIBERTY AND THE PURSUIT OF HAPPINESS, THAT TO SECURE THESE RIGHTS, GOVERNMENTS ARE INSTITUTED AMONG MEN, THAT GOVERNMENTS DERIVE THEIR POWERS FROM THE CONSENT OF THE GOVERNED, "THAT WHEREVER ANY FORM OF GOVERNMENT BECOMES DESTRUCTIVE OF THESE RIGHTS, IT IS THE RIGHT OF PEOPLE TO ALTER OR TO ABOLISH IT, AND TO INSTITUTE NEW GOVERNMENT, LAYING ITS FOUNDATION ON SUCH PRINCIPLES AS SHALL ORGANIZE ITS POWERS IN SUCH A MANNER AS SHALL SECURE MOST LIBERALLY TO EFFECT THEIR SAFETY AND HAPPINESS.

PRUDENCE, INDEED, WILL DICTATE THAT GOVERNMENTS LONG ESTABLISHED SHOULD NOT BE CHANGED FOR LIGHT AND TRANSIENT CAUSES; BUT ACCORDINGLY ALL EXPERIENCE HAVING TAUGHT US THAT MEN ARE MORE DISPOSE TO SUFFER, WHILE EVILS ARE SUPPORTABLE, THAN TO RETHINK THEMSELVES BY ABOLISHING THE FORMS TO WHICH THEY ARE ACCUSTOMED, BUT WHEN A LONG TRAIN OF ABUSES HAS ACCUMULATED, PURSUING INVARIABLY THE SAME OBJECT, EVINCES A DESIGN TO REDUCE THEM UNDER ABSOLUTE DEFECTION, IT IS THEIR RIGHT, IT IS THEIR DUTY, TO THURK OFF SUCH GOVERNMENT, AND TO PROVIDE NEW GUARDS FOR THEIR FUTURE SECURITY.

FIAR AND DOUBT
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tunities were never available
to the lower socio-economic
BLACK person due to the unique
position assigned him in life

it is a two-headed monster that haunts this man. First, his attitude is that he lacks innate ability to cope with confronting him, and, secondly, he tells himself that he has the ability but he simply has not felt strongly enough to do so. He knows he is needed to manipulate his environment. In a desperate effort to assume self-respect, he convinces himself that the stigma in this world he denies is a possible lack of innate ability. If he openly attempts to discover his abilities, he and his family will be ridiculed. He is or is not, and this is the real fear. He then withdraws into the world of the uninvolved man without a struggle. He must not attempt to be responsible by processing his hair.

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power; he is symbolic of a powerful force. There are approximately three areas of power in the political arena: economic and power (feudal power) and military power. If black people at the time had received 40 acres and 2 mules, we would have developed a powerful force. Then we would have chosen a representative to represent us in this political arena. Because we did not receive the 40 acres and 2 mules, it was absurd to have a representative in the political arena.

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The police should be the people of the community in uniform. There should be no conflict of interest between the police and the people. Once there is a division, then the police become the enemy of the people. The police are the worst interest of the people, and be one and the same. When this principle breaks down, then the police become the enemy of the people. When historically one race has oppressed another and policemen are recruited from the oppressed race, then the police are the worst interest of the oppressed people. An intolerable contradiction exists. The racist dog policemen must withdraw immediately from our communities, cease their wanton murder and brutality against the black people, and the wrath of the people.

TO RACIST COPS

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But we will see to it that you
are brought up to the level of
men.

Justice is on our side. You have abandoned the law. You have transformed the law into a snare in which the people stumble. You are a peace-breaker, an outlaw - you have become Public Enemy Number One and it is a policy of the BLACK PANTHER PARTY FOR SELF-DEFENSE to deal with first things first.

GEORGE DOWELL
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Q. What kind of things have you been doing since you joined the Party?

A. I have been raising money for the Panther Defense Fund, telling people why we have to raise the \$100,000 bail because we were not guilty of breaking any law. I go to the churches and tell them that the Panthers are the answer to their prayers. If you want a tree cut down you may ask God to help you but you have to get out there and cut it yourself. I also tell them that the cops can't break the law and we're going into every city to make sure the cops don't either. I would never break the laws of the state. I would be as honest with you I hate the cop that killed my brother bad enough to kill him. I know one thing, he better not kill another black brother.

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WARRIOR TUCKER

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As we left the building, Bobby Hutchinson, Treasurer of our organization, and myself escorted Bobby Seale, Chairman of the Black Panther Party, to the car. I must say I felt good. When we stopped at a gas station and the cops came, all the Panthers came out and took their position. I placed myself on the corner, so when the cops came across to us I could get a shot. I saw a shot at all of them. All of us were united in a common goal, for Self-Defense.

All of us were arrested, booked and finger printed, we were all put into the drunk tank. I large room with 100 prisoners. No blankets, nothing. This kind of treatment you expect from the racist dog. Then the beast called me to the front of the cell to make a statement, but all the brothers told the racist dog to go to hell. This is what I

When we were released, all of us walked out of the jail with our heads held high and proud of what we had done. This I call BLACK POWER. Unity, my Brothers and Sisters, is what's happening.

Sincerely y
Warren Tucker

THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY MAY 15, 1967

1. If no bullets were fired in self defense?

The Black Panther Party was called into Richmond by the family. There we will be the Powell family had gathered 4200 signatures on a petition which called for a Grand Jury investigation.

Tuesday, April 15, the Black Panthers went armed to the Richmond D.A.'s. He told our grievances and he said he would let us go to set up an investigation. He also said he would let us go to Sheriff Young of Martinez if he remove the killer-cop from the force until the investigation was over.

On April 15, the Black Panthers and concerned citizens went to have a meeting with Sheriff Young and District Attorney Ramsey. The Sheriff had agreed to this meeting, but refused to allow Panthers into his office with guns. They left. Ramsey, Minister of Defense, went to talk with the Sheriff without guns present, because it was more important to get the police to this present Sheriff that the Panthers are willing to give all available legal channels in an attempt to give the Powell family visible action.

This meeting ended in frustration, as Sheriff Young refused to remove the killer-cop pending investigation. He also refused to give any evidence whatsoever to the black community that he would exercise his executive authority to the policy that members of the police force be required to refrain from killing suspects when only property is involved in a matter. He said that the citizens and the Black Panther Party for Self-Defense is refusing to total lack of concern for black people expressing a desire to have justice more unrepresented certain.

Unrepresented Ramsey made two ridiculous statements. First he said, "I don't know why you're so upset. You're in the first death we've had in the county." Secondly, Ramsey said, "If you people change the policy change you should go through the legal system. This is not what we do. This is exactly what the black Panthers did. Yet, in the same breath, the Sheriff Ramsey spoke in favor of the full-on gun bill. This time he said, "The law is legislation will be necessary because first they were in Martinez with guns, causing a disturbance; today they're here and you know where they will show up next. We had forgotten his own advice."

Contrary to what the newspapers have reported, the Black Panthers were escorted to the Assembly hall by a horde of T.V. men cameras, and the capital police. A police observer box in the assembly hall it was to the Black Panthers, the members of the Powell family, and the concerned citizens were taken from the assembly hall by a microphone were, "Will the courts please remove these TV cameras from this hall. If it was the son with the first words coming from the speaker should have been, 'Will the son with the first words remove themselves from the Assembly.'"

POWELL WITH GUN: That was the only time at the Capitol. The entire police and the power structure were disturbed not because of any overt threatening action of the Black Panthers; they were disturbed by their own public relations racist policies in which they suffer nightmares of the first person merely talking in upon them while they are in the set for getting the first words from the left, thereby, an attempt of hijacking of the press. In the end, it is to be said, they have had the full word of the people.

To these "Victims" protesters, before we have just said that go together. This reaction was similar to that of white lawyers generally to the slogan of BLACK PUNK. The logic of the racist just can't put these two words together. They someone to raise the slogan of Black Punk, it would appear very logical and acceptable to militants. So would the language. WOULD HAVE BEEN THE CAPTAIN. The point is that the color of power is white and black is the color of weakness. But the color of the appearance of a armed black man is not the color of weakness. He is no longer ruled by fear, that not only are blacks still ready to die but now they are ready to kill.

From another point of view the hysterical reaction of the legislators was ludicrous, because if the Black Panthers had come to the Capitol with evil intentions, there would have been a lot of dead cops and legislators. The Panthers could be an organization dedicated to defending Black people from the wanton aggression of the police and the regular and white racist society in general.

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This pocket lawyer is provided as a means of keeping black people up to date on their rights. We are always the first to be arrested by the racist police forces are constantly trying to pretend that they are extensions to the police, to all people. Out this out, brothers and sisters, and carry it with you. Until we are ourselves to righteousness take care of our own. The Pocket Lawyer is what's happening.

If you are stopped and/or arrested by the police, you may remain silent; you do not have to answer any questions asked of you. You may stop the police officers from asking you any questions until you have an attorney. If you are arrested, you should not say anything to anyone until you have an attorney. If you are arrested, you should not say anything to anyone until you have an attorney.

If you are stopped and/or arrested, the police may search you for weapons by patting the outside of your clothing. You can be stripped of your personal possessions. Do not carry anything that you are not carrying at the time you are stopped or friends.

Do not engage in a friendly conversation with officers on the way to or at the station. Once you are arrested, there is little likelihood that you will get your car released.

As soon as you have been booked, you have the right to know at least two phone calls - one to a relative, friend or attorney, the other to a bail bondsman. You can call the BLACK PANTHER PARTY for help. The Party will not bail if possible. You must be allowed to hire an attorney immediately. You do not have to give

any statement to the police, nor do you have to sign any statement you might give them, and therefore you should not sign anything. Take the fifth and the fourth amendments, because you cannot be forced to testify against yourself. You must be allowed to post bail in most cases, but you must be able to pay the bail bondsman's fee. If you cannot pay the fee, you may ask the judge to release you on your own recognizance. You must be allowed to post bail or to lower your bail, but he does not have to do so.

The police must bring you to court or release you within 48 hours after your arrest. (unless the time ends on a weekend, then the time ends on the first day before a judge the first day of court is in session.) If you do not have money to pay bail, you must ask the police to get you an attorney without charge. If you have the money to pay bail, you must not do not know of one, call the National Lawyers' Guild or the Alameda County Bar Association of your county. They will furnish you with the name of an attorney who practices criminal law.

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WORKER SPEAKS A SISTER

A LETTER SISTER
BALDWIN

I am very concerned about your mind, so I have sent you some literature about SNCC and black people hoping that you will read it and it will help you to get your mind together so you can understand what the struggle is all about. I don't want you to go out in the world and be a tool for white folks, or go and teach other children to deny their blackness, deny their people and become whitewashed. Sister Baldwin, there are not very many good minds like yours in this North American wilderness, therefore I urge you, please with you, lose your white mind and get your black mind together. Therefore I urge you not to read just the material I am sending you, but read these five black books: Autobiography of Malcolm X, Malcolm X Speaks, The Wretched of the Earth, by Franz Fanon, Black bourgeoisie, by E. Franklin Frazier, and Souls of Black Folk, by W.E.B. Dubois.

You have been put in the same crickbag by the white man that thousands of other black people have been put in; try and get out of it. There are very few sisters on AA's campus. Thank God you are one of them. Therefore I urge you to remove the catarract from your eyes so that you can see. Why question Black Power and don't question why so many blackmen are in jail in this country? Why question Black Power and not question why eleven black people were murdered in Chattanooga, Tenn. alone in 1965? Or why is it that 30% of the men getting killed in Vietnam are black? Or why is it that 500 black babies die each year in Birmingham for lack of medical attention? Why is it that the unemployment rate for black men is rising while the income of white men is increasing?

Why is it that the University of Tennessee is better than Tennessee State? Why did the government give Tennessee State only 15 million dollars? Is that all that 6000 black minds are worth? In the same year they gave the University of Tennessee 14 million dollars. Stop questioning Black Power and look around you and see who is brainwashing you, and who is going to profit from your four years of college? Are you willing to do the same thing the white man has done for 400 years, sit next to white folks and look down at your black brothers and sisters and say, "I am better than you who will your education benefit? What are you going to do with your life, let Rockefeller use it or give it to your people? What is your role in the struggle? What is your role in your church to stand by and let white folks beat them out of thousands of dollars and not say anything? What is your role in relation to the thousands of your brothers who are being drafted every day to die in the mud of Vietnam for a white man's war? What are the sounds of black children go hungry, ragged and cold, are you one of those who is calling themselves an AKA and running around imitating white folks who are responsible for the plight of your people?

Therefore I urge you to come on home, Sister Baldwin. Millions of black people are depending on you and sisters like you to change their destiny. Will you let them down? Will you go somewhere and

WHITE BOY ARRESTED FOR LYING ON PANTHERS?

The papers have been full of wild stories about one of the witnesses who appeared before the assembly justice Committee that launched an investigation into security at the capital in an atmosphere of white hysteria which greeted the visit to the capital by armed members of the Black Panther Party for self defense. This white man once was a sergeant-at-army, a cop, in the assembly, according to the stories put out by the police. The police, of course, told that he was taking a legislator's car to a gasoline station for servicing by the time this fellow grabbed hold of my arm and said, "I'm going to get you white boy." I said to him, "I'm just a flunky, I just work here."

We are not surprised to learn that a white cop had told lies, while under oath, designed to get black people into 'trouble'. What surprises us and what we can't figure out is why did the cops arrest this white man for lying on a "bench of negroes"? One paper quoted the arrested man as saying, that "the Panther voice" is a threat against a certain legislator, who was not identified in the request of Assemblyman Jon Halford, Jr. (D-Mont.).

Now this is very interesting, here we see a known liar engaged in keeping something secret behind himself, the cops, and Assemblyman Halford. How many more secrets do they have which they are keeping from the people?

Another thing about this entire affair is why did the cops arrange to have this

teach black children the white man's lies? Stop and look at yourself; stop and read more.

Yours for BLACK POWER,

Brother Ricks

SISTERS' SECTION SISTERS UNITE

by Barbara Auer

BARBARA AUER, The Black Panther Party, is where the Black women had to feel proud of black men who finally decided to announce to the world that they were putting an end to police brutality and black oppression. Then they were arrested even though they had not broken a law. The reason they were arrested, sisters, is the white power structure doesn't want to be broken with cuts enough to say, "Well, no, to the police force in self defense of their women, themselves and all our children. That's really talking the power structure 'til it is".

Become members of the Black Panther Party for self defense, sisters, "we got a good thing going." white man, who has already been exposed as lying on the Black Panthers, scheduled to appear in court on May 15, the same day the Black Panthers are scheduled to appear? Because this is an obscure operation that has not all been made public, we wish to alert the public to the fact that we think that racist Assemblyman Jon Halford, in conjunction with the racist police and a lying white man, are involved in arranging a series of schemes designed to enable the white power structure to deal with the Black Panthers.

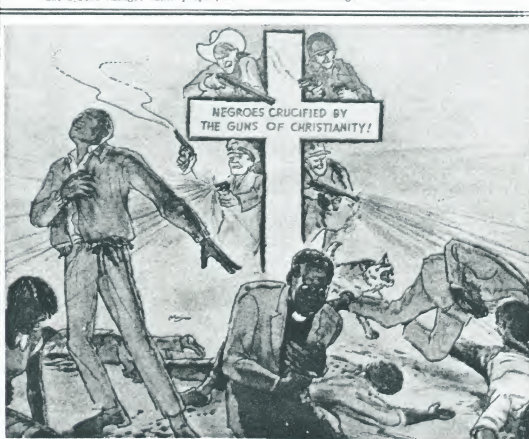
But no matter what lying scheme these racists come up with, the Black Panther Party for self defense is going to grow in numbers, influence and power and there is nothing that a cune of racist dogs can do about it.

A REVOLUTIONARY SISTER

SISTER WILLIAMS SAYS

Respect and dignity have long been abstractions to the majority of Black men. This is no longer the case. The Black Panther Party for self defense are Black men with pride, self-respect and most of all, love for their brother. These Black Men who express fervor, spirit and boldness of heart kindle in us, a Black woman, the feeling of wanting to help plan, work, experience, and most of all share not only these feelings with him but the togetherness of wanting and now going about getting our freedom together.

The illustration below is taken from the cover of MINUTEMAN TIMES newspaper (April 14, 1967). THE BLACK PANTHER feels that this work of art should be wide spread amongst black people, as it contains a message that must be understood.





UNARMED RELATIVES OF THE VICTIMS OF SACRAMENTO POLICE PERSECUTION

(The following article was written by a black man who felt that for the time being it would be best for him to remain unnamed.)

There are different kinds of law. Some laws are on the books but never enforced while others that are enforced have never been written. Policemen have a habit of charging people with crimes of their own invention. Sometimes a police department gets so far out that one of its unwritten laws is declared unconstitutional by a court. Most of the time, police don't get hung up with the Constitution.

They know that modern police work demands that they be go. At bending existing laws to meet their purposes. And, when the bending gets tiresome, they lobby to get their law passed.

When a delegation of Black Panthers showed up at the San Francisco International Airport in February to protect Betty Shabazz, Malcolm X's widow, policemen went running to their law books. They knew there damn well ought to be a law preventing black men who didn't even wear uniforms from going around armed. They were so shocked to find that there wasn't a law to cover that situation that they allowed the Panthers and Betty Shabazz to leave unmolested.

Even the Richmond police couldn't find the proper law, and they have effectively used law to control the actions of Negroes for a number of years. Richmond police met a 30-man armed Panther group in April. They had gone to Richmond to discuss with police the problems that develop when white cops shoot unarmed Black Panther police, like the San Mateo Sheriff before them. They discovered that the law covers concealed weapons. The Panthers' firepower was so much in evidence, something that was frightening to the police, but not yet illegal.

Mulford almost swallowed his napalm chewing gum when he looked up to find that the Panthers had revived an early American protest. You might call it a quin.

The state police were completely unprepared. Those the capital are supposed to protect the assemblymen from harm. Apparently there aren't enough people in the state who really know what their assemblymen are doing in Sacramento to constitute a threat. Guarding the assembly became the nearest thing to retirement. Suddenly they were joined to see 23 men, very black and very armed, moving into the assembly chambers. To add to it, the Panthers didn't even remove their hats.

The police rallied, maneuvered the Panthers into one room and for a short time separated some of them from their guns. This last step was easy, as the Panthers didn't resist. The Panthers were demonstrating that whites react with power. The Panthers were not even taken demonstrations of power on the part of the state. The State Police didn't find a law to cover the situation, gave the Panthers their guns and the group left. But then, a law was found.

Minutes after leaving the Capitol building, Sacramento City Police arrested 23 Panthers on a variety of charges. Later, these were dropped, and they were all charged with conspiracy to disturb the assembly. Conspiracy is a felony, and what places like Soledad and San Quentin are all about.

It has already been demonstrated that a law is not a law when it protects Negroes. That's why equal hiring laws, public accommodation statutes and equal educational codes are not enforced. Blacks are expected to be happy just seeing that there are laws for them. The Panthers went out of their way to prove that when there is no law, that somebody will create one. This demonstration means that they now face trumped up felony charges.

Separate ho equal used to be the law of the land. It didn't work out that way, as Negroes have become convinced that equality and an equalizer have something in

the action taken or contemplated. These conscienceless black tools did not care about the suffering of the black masses. All they were concerned with was their own standard of living - which was very high compared to that of other blacks. While the black masses wasted away in the slums and shanties, dying from lack of adequate clothing, shelter, and proper medical attention, living worthless lives because of the lack of proper educational facilities, black politicians ate good food, wore the best of clothes, lived in fine homes and sent their children to the best schools.

It is true that not all black politicians were always this way, but it has been true often enough to make the exceptions in history stand out like blonde hair on a black woman. But times have changed. The black masses are on the march for Black Power. We hope that black politicians do not think that the cry for Black Power offers them another ticket to a higher standard of living while the black masses remain stuck in the mud of white America. Neither

should black politicians think that they can get away with paying lip-service to the rhetoric of Black Power while actually continuing to play dirty white politics with the welfare and destiny of the black masses. Such corrupt games are no longer possible. Politicians who are stupid enough to think that they can still get away with tricks and deception - to say the least.

common. They are suspicious of a set of laws which ends up with certain classes of people carrying guns. When some of these are Black, they have white officers.

The Black experience with the law is that it is often used to the disadvantage of the race. The lessons of history, the possible threat of racial annihilation and the very real concentration camps that have been prepared to make Negroes even more aware of the way the law works. There's a logical answer, if Blacks want laws to work for them. We've got to start writing a few of our own. That's the position of the Black Panthers—it's also today's law lesson.

In the past, black politicians have, more often than not, been nothing but sleek, groveling jumping jacks for the white man. They were placed in office by white political machinery and have served other function than that of voters' interests for white politicians at election time.

When the white man wanted to pull a fast one on black people, he called out his bootlicking black politician to give voice an opinion supporting

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